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Zur Verständigung über die Begriffe Nation und Nationalität. Von Alfred Kirchhoff. 64 pp. Verlag der Buchhandlung des Waisenhauses, Halle a. S., 1905. (Price, M. 1.)

A discussion of the real meaning of the words Nation and Nationality, illustrated by many facts of history and by quotations from the writings of statesmen and sociological investigators.

Die Abstammung des Menschen. Von Wilhelm Bölsche. 99 pp. and numerous Illustrations. 24th Edition. Kosmos, Gesellschaft der Naturfreunde, Stuttgart. (Price, M. 1.)

The Kosmos Society at Stuttgart is stimulating the love of nature and acquaintance with its phenomena by publishing at a very cheap price small books like this one on various phases of natural history. The books are designed for the widest circle of readers, and any one of them may be perused in a few hours. The present volume, on the descent of man, is based on evolution as expounded by Darwin and Haeckel. A number of the illustrations are introduced to show the points of resemblance between the human embryo and that of some of the lower animals. The rather striking picture in colours on the title-page shows one of our progenitors in the Ice Age proudly erect on the body of a giant mammoth he has just killed and brandishing his spear over the victim of his prowess.

Mathematische Geographie (Miniatur-Bibliothek, 671-673). Von Franz Baur. 140 pp. and 21 Figures. Albert Otto Paul, Leipzig. (Price, 30 pf.)

A 16mo volume dealing with the size, shape, weight, and movements of the earth and heavenly bodies, the determination of geographical positions, etc. A clearly-written, though brief, manual, which requires on the part of the reader considerable knowledge of plane and spherical trigonometry.

An Introduction to Practical Geography. By A. T. Simmons and Hugh Richardson. pp. 380. Macmillan & Company, London, 1905.

Simmons and Richardson's Introduction to Practical Geography is a small volume, containing twenty-five chapters of suggestions as to practical work in geography available for field and laboratory. The difference between physical geography in America and England is shown by the fact that fourteen of the twenty-five chapters are devoted to mathematical geography and maps, seven to the atmosphere, and one each to rivers, the sea, plant geography, and man's dwelling-place.

Many of the exercises are too detailed for use in American schools, but all are suggestive, and many are extremely ingenious. The graphic representations of the simpler map projections are very helpful, and the problems in longitude, time, and climate are very pertinent. The book deserves to be consulted by every teacher of physical geography who would depart from the somewhat formal laboratory work of American schools. R. E. D.

The Egyptian Sudan. By J. Kelly Giffen. 252 pp. Maps and Illustrations. Fleming H. Revell Company, New York. (Price, $1.00.)

Very little has been written about the Anglo-Egyptian Sudan since Kitchener put an end to the Mahdist tyranny and the Sudan was once more opened to civilization. Great work has been done there, and this book is a desirable contribution to the story of the development of this part of Africa.